

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention is meant to provide a novel use of benzyl alcohol for an antitumor agent guaranteed to have sufficient safety. The present inventors have made a study on the possible action of benzyl alcohol on a tumor cell to develop the use and a treatment method thereby. As a result, it has been found out that the local administration to a cancer cell site can promote the cancer cell to be separated off very efficiently and specifically. Thus, the usefulness for an antitumor agent is confirmed. Moreover, the combination with an antioxidant has been found out to increase the effect.